

**SECOND SEMESTER (CUCBCSS—UG) DEGREE EXAMINATION, MAY 2019**

B.A. English

ENG 2B 01/DMENG 2B 01—READING PROSE

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

**I.** Answer the following bunches of questions. Each question carries 1 mark :

1 When a short story conveys a specific moral or ethical perspective, it is called \_\_\_\_\_

- (a) Parable.
- (b) Short story.
- (c) Essay.
- (d) None of these.

2 Novella is a \_\_\_\_\_

- (a) Short novel.
- (b) Essay.
- (c) Prose.
- (d) None of these.

3 Paul Krugman got the Nobel Prize for \_\_\_\_\_ in 2008

- (a) Politics.
- (b) Physics.
- (c) Economics.
- (d) Literature.

4 According to Martin Luther King \_\_\_\_\_ is the answer to the political and moral problems of our time.

- (a) Non-violence.
- (b) Money power.
- (c) Government policies.
- (d) Diplomacy.

5 Whose work inspired Mrinal Sen for his entry into the film world ?

- (a) Rudolf Amheim.
- (b) Fitzgerald.
- (c) Dante.
- (d) Homer.

6 The essay 'On Good Resolutions' brings out \_\_\_\_\_

- (a) Human potentiality to be strong.
- (b) Futility of human resolutions.
- (c) Reality of the world.
- (d) Beginning of life on earth.

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7 What kind of work is reduced by modern technology?

- (a) Intellectual work. (b) Virtual work.  
(c) Economic work. (d) Skilful productive work.

8 Which of the following is not an attribute of nature ?

- (a) Self-balancing. (b) Self-destroying.  
(c) Self-adjusting. (d) Self-cleansing.

9 The crime mentioned in the letter 'My Dungeon Shook' is \_\_\_\_\_

- (a) Toughness of the Whites. (b) Toughness of the blacks.  
(c) Innocence of the Whites. (d) Mask of the Blacks.

10 *A Beautiful Mind* is a biography of \_\_\_\_\_

- (a) Sylvia Nasar. (b) Alicia Larde.  
(c) John Nash. (d) None of the above.

(10 x 1 = 10 marks)

II. Answer each of the following questions in two or three sentences (any ten). Each question carries 2 marks :

11 Why was Mrinal Sen not able to clarify the doubt of the people about the woman depicted in *Ekdin Pratidin* ?

12 What did Parikshit ask Vyasa ?

13 What is the difference between realistic and non-realistic fiction ?

14 What is a fictional autobiography ? Give examples.

15 How did the new Headmaster, Kaliram treat Omprakash ?

16 What are the methods of reading according to Bacon ?

17 How does Brazil's policy of using ethanol from sugarcane become harmful ?

18 What made Alicia decide that Nash could come back to live with her ?

19 Why were the Chuhras not able to get enough food even when they had work ?

20 What according to Krugman is the role of modern farming in the world of food crisis ?

21 What are King's comments about the future of mankind ?

22 How does the emotional mind differ from the rational mind ?

(10 x 2 = 20 marks)

III. Answer any *four* of the following questions in a **paragraph** of 100 words. Each question carries 5 marks :

23 Why does King consider himself as a trustee while accepting the award ?

24 What are the uses and abuses of study according to Bacon ?

25 What according to Schumacher are the limitations of modern technology ?

26 What did Husain's grandmother tell him about the Bird of Paradise and the Garden of Eden ?

27 When does good resolution become more than an experiment ?

28 Comment on the quick and slow paths or responses of emotion.

(4 x 5 = 20 marks)

IV. Answer any *two* of the following questions in 300 words. Each question carries 15 marks :

29 Write an essay on the injustice and caste discrimination presented in "Joothan : A Dalit's life".

30 Can you consider 'My Dungeon Shook' as James Baldwin's grave attempt at strengthening the Black against the white ? Give reasons.

31 Studies serve for delight, for ornament and for ability. Justify.

32 Comment on the life and dedication of Alicia Larde.

(2 x 15 = 30 marks)